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Utah Committee of Consumer Services Receives Award of Excellence

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The Utah Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) presented its Board and Commission Award of Excellence for 2003 to the Utah Committee of Consumer Services in appreciation for outstanding service to public administration.

The Utah Committee of Consumer Services was created in 1977 to represent the interests of small commercial and residential utility customers. Like the Division of Public Utilities, the Committee is an agency within the Department of Commerce.

The Committee has six members who are appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate. They are drawn from small business owners, farmers and ranchers, and low-income, senior and other residential citizens of Utah. They also come from diverse communities of different sizes all across the State.

ASPA recognized the Committee for exhibiting outstanding community service, working diligently to support the common good, being proactive in decision-making, and facilitating public participation in governmental processes.

Current Committee staff Director, Roger Ball, expressed appreciation to the twenty-five Utahns who have served on the Committee over the past quarter century. "Their dedication has helped ensure that utility rates are fair and reasonable for the people and small businesses of the State".

Current Chair, Dee Jay Hammon, credits the teamwork of the Committee's many members, staff, attorneys and consultants for their remarkable achievements. "The Utah Committee of Consumer Services conservatively estimates that its efforts over the past twenty-five years have saved Utahns approximately \$1 billion."

Congratulations for excellent service!

